



UTILITY PATENT

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks. Also included is a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), the extension fee specified by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a), and an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and §1.98.

The undersigned thanks Examiner Chirag for the courtesies extended during a telephone interview held on April 20, 2006. During this telephone interview, proposed amendments were discussed with the Examiner. No agreement was reached with the Examiner, but the Examiner indicated that the proposed amendments will be considered and also indicated that the Examiner will conduct a further search.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.